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1. The 1954 Finance Plan of the Main Administration of Locomotive and Railway Car Construction (HV LOWA) of the East German Ministry for Machine Construction totalled 540,000 TDM. As of 31 October 1954, the plan had been 71 percent realized.
2. The Production Plan (Warenplan) for 1954 had also been realized to about the same extent. At best, both the Finance and the Production Plan would be 90 to 95 percent realized by the end of 1954.
3. The planned profit of 70,000 TDM had been 67 percent fulfilled as of 31 October 1954.
4. Planning for 1955 took as its basis the 1954 plan plus 5 percent. However, because of orders received at the Leipzig Fair, the Production Plan for 1955 had to be completely revised.
5. The following are top personnel in this Main Administration:

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Head of Main Administration:

Kurze (fnu) -

Secretary to Head:

Beuhausen (fnu)

a) Cadre Section:

Schauer, Horst

b) Planning Section:

Kohlberg (fnu) - SED.

c) Technical Section:

Streidt (fnu)

1) Production Section:

Szymanek, Paul

2) Technological Section:

Pauligk (fnu) - SED.

3) Investment Section:

Koenig (fnu) - SED. Party educational director.

4) Research and Development Section:

Roesner (fnu) - SED.

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- d) Chief Expediter: (Hauptdispatcher): Skroch, Lothar
 e) Labor Department: Frase, Paul - head of M.A. Party Organization.
 f) Materiel Procurement Department: Bietz (fnu) - discharged.
 g) Sales Department: Mueller (fnu)
 Pflaumen or Pflaumer (fnu)
 Rund (fnu)
 h) Commercial Department: Wendler, Horst - SED
 1) Finance Section: Roth, Hanny -
 2) Finance Planning Section: Heins, Richard - discharged.
 3) Price Section: Grohman, Werner - SED sympathizer.
 4) Auditing Section (Wirtschafts-
 kontrolle):
 5) Records (Kontrollberichte): Marx, Manfred
 Bellmon, Helga

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6. The following are the only plants under this Main Administration:

- a) VEB Lokomotivbau "Karl Marx" Babelsberg
- b) VEB Waggonbau Ammendorf/b. Halle
- c) VEB Waggonbau Goerlitz
- d) VEB Waggonbau Dessau
- e) VEB Waggonbau Bautzen
- f) VEB Waggonbau Niesky
- g) VEB Waggonbau Gotha
- h) VEB Waggonreparaturwerk Altenburg
- i) VEB Waggonreparaturwerk und Dichtungswerk Stassfurt
- j) VEB Strassenbahn und Waggonreparatur Johannisthal
- k) VEB Lokomotivreparaturwerk Muehlhausen
- l) VEB Lokomotivreparaturwerk Tharandt
- m) VEB Foerdlerwagenbau Vetschau/ Spreevald ¹
- n) VEB Foerdlerwagenbau Loessnitz/ Erzgebirge ²
- o) VEB Federnwerk Zittau
- p) VEB Metallwerk Lockwitz (smallest plant under this Main Administration)

7. Armored cars are being produced at Goerlitz on orders of the Ministry for the Interior and are allegedly for the Volkspolizei. Work on this order started in 1953 and is carried in the Administration's reports as "Sonder Aufbauten".

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¹Previously listed as VEB Fahrzeug und Geratebau Vetschau.

²Probably identical with VEB Blechformungswerk Loessnitz.

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